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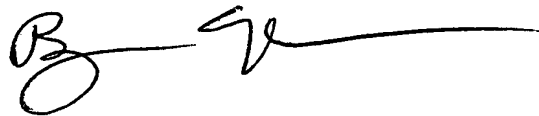
REMARKS

Claim 3 has been amended to reflect that the charge-enabling control circuit does not cause generation of the square wave, but rather controls supply of the square wave to the voltage conversion circuit (by turning transistor 552 on and off, as is clear from Fig. 3). Line 10 of the specification has been amended to provide proper antecedence for the amendment to claim 3.

For the reasons stated in the response submitted on July 12, 2004, and in view of the above amendments, withdrawal of the rejections and expedited passage of the application to issue is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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